GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

ABSTRACT

Prohibition & Excise Department – Preventive Detention - Detention order passed against Sri Peddina Ravi @Godha, S/o Bheema, aged 23 years, Reddika by caste, R/o D.No.17-31, Dockyard Colony, Madhurawada, Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh State by the Government, U/Sec 3(1) of the Prevention of Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act,1988 (PIT NDPS Act 1988) – Confirmed - Orders – Issued.

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REVENUE (EXCISE.II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 815 Dated: 31-07-2025

Read the following:-

1. G.O.Ms.No.131, General Administration (SC-1) Department, Dated: 08.10.2018.
2. From the Home Department through e-office file bearing no. HOM01-COOR0MISC(null)/1/2025-LEGAL-I, along with letter of the Commissioner of Police & Additional District Magistrate, Visakhapatnam, Lr.No.6766/MC-III/PIT-NDPS Act/ 2024, dt.4.12.2024.
3. G.O.Rt.No.458, Revenue (Excise.II) Dept., Dated: 20.05.2025.
4. Memo No.REV01-CPE0MISC/196/2025-EXCISE-II, dt.20.05.2025.
5. Govt. Letter No.REV01-CPE0MISC/196/2025-EXCISE-II, dt.07.07.2025.
6. Govt. Memo No.REV01-CPE0MISC/196/2025-EXCISE-II, dt.07.07.2025.
7. From the Chairman, Advisory Board on Preventive detentions Opinion & Minutes of the meeting Dt: 16.07.2025.

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ORDER:

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Police, Visakhapatnam in the reference 2nd read above submitted a proposal based on the report of the Inspector of Police, PM Palem Police Station, Visakhapatnam to Government about a spate of illegal possession and sale of Ganja by Sri Peddina Ravi @Godha, S/o Bheema, aged 23 years, Reddika by caste, R/o D.No.17-31, Dockyard Colony, Madhurawada, Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh State (hereinafter referred as detenue) for issuing of detention orders u/s 3(1) of the Prevention of illicit traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act,1988 (PITNDPS act 1988). It has also been informed that he has started earning money by transporting and selling ganja without any respect towards law and he had emerged as a kingpin in illegal selling of ganja and possession of ganja. He is selling ganja to innocent people living in and around Visakhapatnam City. He peddles ganja to youth and incites them to sell ganja to earn easy money. He is destroying the lives of youth in Visakhapatnam. More importantly, he is selling this ganja to college students, making them addicted to ganja and ruining their future. His aforesaid activities are causing a lot of harm to public health. He does not hold any license or permit to deal with any Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances under the provisions of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act 1985. The use and consumption of cannabis pose a severe threat to public health, leading to widespread danger to public lives and resulting in severe psychotic disorders.

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Therefore, he is involved in "illicit traffic" under Sec.2(e)(iii) of the Prevention of illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1988 and his actions are prejudicial to Public Health. Several cases were registered against him at different police stations in Visakhapatnam City.

2. The Ganja is being possessed and sold by him is causing widespread danger to the public health. Thus, he is an "illicit traffic" as classified under section 2 (e) (iii) of the Prevention of Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1988 (PIT NDPS Act 1988) and acting prejudicial manner to the maintenance of public health. Thus, he is acting as prejudicial to the maintenance of the public health.

3. AND WHEREAS, the Government have issued detention orders against him under section 3(1) of the Prevention of Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act,1988 (PIT NDPS Act 1988) vide Government Orders 3rd read above.

4. AND WHEREAS, under Section 9 of the Act, Government within five weeks from the date of detention of a person under the order shall place the case before the Advisory Board on Preventive Detentions, constituted under Section 9 of the said Act, and the Advisory Board shall submit its report to Government within eleven weeks from the date of detention under Section 9 of the said Act. The above said case was placed before the Advisory Board comprising of Justice Sri Neelam Sanjiva Reddy (Retired), Chairman and two Members, for its consideration and to submit its report to Government, under Section 9(c) of the said Act, vide reference 5th read above. The case was reviewed by the Advisory Board on 16.07.2025 through video conference. After having heard the detenue, the Investigating Officer and wife of the detenue Smt. Peddina Saijyotsna have attended the Video Conference and also upon perusing the grounds of detention and the connected records, the Advisory board has unanimously opined and reported that "there is sufficient cause for the detention of the detenue".

5. AND WHEREAS, the Government, after careful examination of the entire record, observed that Sri Peddina Ravi @ Godha, S/o Bheema, aged 23 years, Reddika by caste, R/o D.No.17-31, Dockyard Colony, Madhurawada, Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh State is found to be involved in as many as in Five (05) cases mentioned in the grounds of detention. All the instances mentioned above clearly establish that he is an habitual offender and his activities are habitual in nature and which are registered under various sections i.e., U/s. 8(c) r/w 20(b)(ii) (C), 22(c) of NDPS Act-1985. As such, the activities of the individual falls under and within the meaning of "illicit traffic" as classified under section 2 (e) (iii) of the Prevention of Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1988 (PIT NDPS Act 1988). The detaining authority having taken into account and consideration of indulgence of the detenue in the above said activities repeatedly at regular intervals and having satisfied that the penal laws have failed to curb his illegal activities, has passed the detention order against the detenue by invoking the provisions under U/Sec 3(1) of the said Act, in order to prevent him from indulging further in such activities, which

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are prejudicial to maintenance of public order. The Advisory Board after review of the case, has opined that there is sufficient cause for the detention of the detenue. As such, the detenue deserves the maximum period of detention, as provided under Section 11 of the Act.

6. Now, therefore, after due consideration of the report of the Advisory Board and the material available on record, and in exercise of the powers conferred under sub-section (1) of Section 3 of the said Act, the Order of Detention issued in the reference 3rd read above, is hereby confirmed. The detention of Sri Peddina Ravi @ Godha, S/o Bheema, aged 23 years, Reddika by caste, R/o D.No.17-31, Dockyard Colony, Madhurawada, Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh State shall be for a period of 12 (Twelve) months from the date of issue of detention orders, i.e., 20.05.2025 under Section 11 of the Prevention of Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1988 (PIT NDPS Act 1988).

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNER OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

MUKESH KUMAR MEENA
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT(FAC)

To

Sri Peddina Ravi @ Godha, S/o Bheema, aged 23 years, Reddika by caste, R/o D.No.17-31, Dockyard Colony, Madhurawada, Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh State through the Superintendent of Jails, Central Prison, Visakhapatnam.

The Superintendent of Jails, Central Prison, Visakhapatnam (He should serve the Order on the detenue immediately under proper dated acknowledgment and arrange to read over and explain the contents of the same in the language known to the detenue and report compliance to the Government forthwith).

The Superintendent, Central Prison, Visakhapatnam.

Copy to:

The Director General of Police, A.P., Mangalagiri, Guntur District.
The Commissioner of Police, Visakhapatnam.
The Director General of Prisons and Correctional Services, A.P., Vijayawada.
The Additional Director General of Police (Intelligence), A.P., Vijayawada.
The Inspector of Police, PM Palem Police Station, Visakhapatnam.
The Spl. G.P., Attached to Learned Advocate General, A.P. High Court, Nelapadu, Amaravathi, Guntur District.
The PS to Principal Secretary to Govt., Revenue (Excise) Department.
SF/SC.

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SECTION OFFICER